

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Antonio ZAPO et al.)
) Group Art Unit: 2874
Application No.: **10/518,352**)
) Examiner:
Filed: **December 17, 2004**)
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National Stage of International)
Application No. **PCT/EP2002/007107**)
under 35 U.S.C. 371, for **POLYIMIDE**
OPTICAL WAVEGUIDES AND
METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION
THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 and indicate that they were considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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